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DWR Announces 'Catch a Special Thrill' for Kids Event at Lake Oroville

SACRAMENTO – The Department of Water Resources (DWR), in partnership with the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), the Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW), the Department of Fish and Game (DFG), CAL FIRE and the C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation will sponsor a "Catch a Special Thrill" for Kids event on Saturday, September 11, at the Spillway launch ramp at Lake Oroville.

C.A.S.T. for Kids events give disabled and disadvantaged young people a day of outdoor adventure. The children receive their own fishing rod, reel and tackle box before enjoying fishing on the lake with top anglers. Boating education, boating safety, ethics of fishing and natural resources will also be highlighted in the activities with a special guest appearance by "Rascal" the mascot of the Golden Baseball League's Chico Outlaws.

The event kicks off at 7 a.m. with a pancake breakfast provided by the Oroville Kiwanis Organization for the 40 participating children and volunteers. Fishing is from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., followed by a BBQ lunch sponsored by the Chico Bass & Conservation Club and an awards ceremony. Activities wrap up at 2:30.

Additional sponsors for the event include the Forebay Aquatic Center, California State University Chico, and Oroville Area Chamber of Commerce as well as the following local businesses and organizations: Lake Oroville Marina/Forever Resorts, Wal-Mart of Oroville, Wal-Mart of Chico, Sams Club of Yuba City, Noah's Arc Workshop, Oroville Kiwanis Service Organization, Oro Dam Bait, Inside Out Designs, First Responder, Feather River Parks and Rec, Work Training Center, R&B Rehab, Exclusive Limousine Service, Oroville Outdoors Bait & Tackle, Oroville Hof Brau, R.W. Knudsen's and Pepsi Bottling Group of Durham.